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2020



VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS

The regular semi-monthly meetings are scheduled for the second and fourth Monday of each month and will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall. The public is always encouraged to attend. Special board meetings and committee meetings are scheduled as needed. Dates and agendas for all meetings are posted on the board near the door of the Village Hall and may also be reviewed on the Village website.

Upcoming Board Meetings:

March 9 th	April 13 th
March 23 rd	April 27 th

Approved Minutes and Agendas may be viewed at the Village Office or the website at Williamsville.Illinois.Gov.

Village of Williamsville

141 W. Main St.

217.566.3806

Office Hours

7:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

12:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

Monday - Friday

Village Fax
217.566.2105

Fire Non-Emergency
217.566.3311

Police Non-Emergency
217.566.3634

Water Emergency
217.306.5803

Library
217.566.3520

Post Office
217.566.3651

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VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE

141 W. MAIN STREET

WILLIAMSVILLE, IL 62693

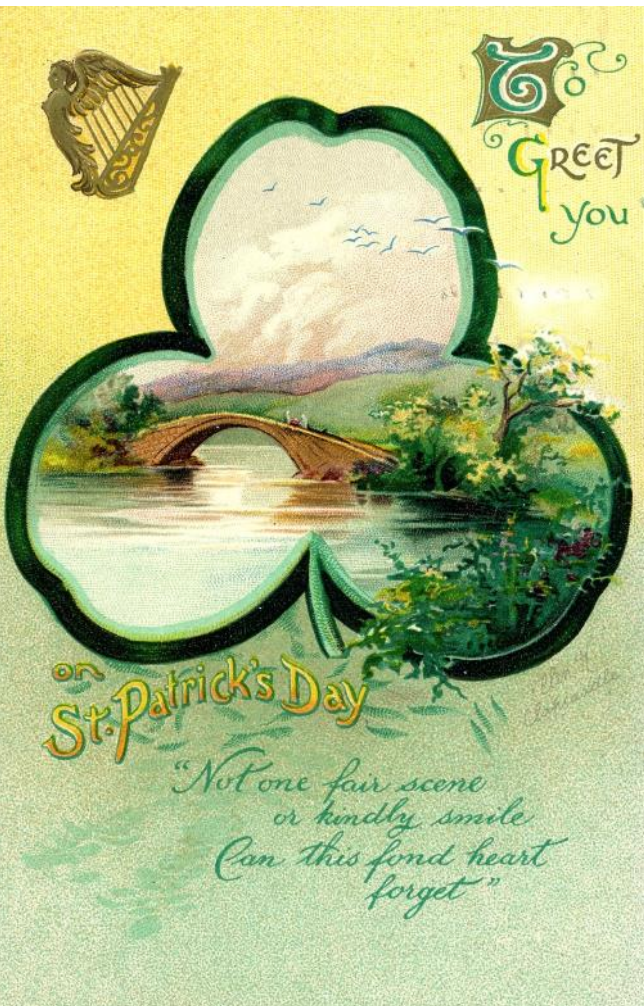
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WILLIAMSVILLE, IL

PERMIT NO. 9

Current Williamsville Resident
Williamsville, IL 62693



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WILLIAMSVILLE COMMUNITY CALENDAR

March Events

March 2nd -

- * WCF Meeting: Village Hall at 6:30 p.m.

March 3rd -

- * Coffee Hour: WPLM at 10:00 a.m.

March 4th -

- * Woodcarvers: Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

March 9th -

- * Village Board Meeting: Village Hall at 6:30 p.m.

March 10th -

- * Coffee Hour: WPLM at 10:00 a.m.
- * Fireside Chat: WPLM at 12:30 p.m.
- * WPLM Board Meeting: WPLM at 5:30 p.m.
- * Lego Teams: WPLM at 6:00 p.m.

March 12th -

- * Driver's License Renewal Course: WPLM at 10:30 a.m.
- * Quarter Auction: Community Center at 6:30 p.m.

March 14th -

- * Pi Day/Puzzle Day: WPLM starting at 11:00 a.m.

March 17th -

- * Polling: Community Center
- * Coffee Hour: WPLM at 10:00 a.m.
- * Backyard Basics: WPLM at 6:30 p.m.

March 21st -

- * Woodcarvers: Community Center at 9:00 a.m.

March 23rd -

- * Village Board Meeting: Village Hall at 6:30 p.m.

March 24th -

- * Coffee Hour: WPLM at 10:00 a.m.
- * Lego Showcase: WPLM at 6:00 p.m.

March 26th -

- * Fireside Chat: WPLM at 12:30 p.m.
- * Book Club: WPLM at 7:00 p.m.

March 28th -

- * Spring in the Village: Community Center at 8:00 a.m.

March 29th -

- * Healthy Kids Running Series: Williamsville Park at 4:30 p.m.

March 31st -

- * Coffee Hour: WPLM at 10:00 a.m.

April Events

April 1st -

- * Census Day: WPLM

April 2nd -

- * Woodcarvers: Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

April 4th -

- * Easter Egg Hunt: Williamsville Park from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- * SUMC Chicken Dinner: SUMC from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

April 5th -

- * Healthy Kids Running Series: Williamsville Park at 4:30 p.m.

April 6th -

- * WCF Meeting: Village Hall at 6:30 p.m.

April 7th -

- * Coffee Hour: WPLM at 10:00 a.m.

April 9th -

- * Quarter Auction: Community Center at 6:30 p.m.

April 11th -

- * Woodcarvers: Community Center at 9:00 a.m.

April 13th -

- * Village Board Meeting: Village Hall at 6:30 p.m.

April 14th -

- * Coffee Hour: WPLM at 10:00 a.m.
- * Fireside Chat: WPLM at 12:30 p.m.
- * WPLM Board Meeting: WPLM at 5:30 p.m.

April 19th -

- * Healthy Kids Running Series: Williamsville Park at 4:30 p.m.

April 21st -

- * Coffee Hour: WPLM at 10:00 a.m.
- * Backyard Basics Earth Day: WPLM at 6:30 p.m.

April 23rd -

- * Fireside Chat: WPLM at 12:30 p.m.

April 26th -

- * Healthy Kids Running Series: Williamsville Park at 4:30 p.m.

April 27th -

- * Village Board Meeting: Village Hall at 6:30 p.m.

April 28th -

- * Coffee Hour: WPLM at 10:00 a.m.

April 30th -

- * Book Club: WPLM at 7:00 p.m.

March 2020

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More Upcoming Events

May 2nd -

- * All Town Garage Sales and Clean Up

May 17th -

- * Picnic in the Park: Samuel H. Jones Park

Please check our website for any changes to dates or times

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Join the Fire Department!

*No Experience Required
We Will Train You*

Looking for Firefighters



and - or



*Emergency Medical Service
Personnel*

Benefits

- Personal satisfaction and pride in helping others
- Make a difference in your community
- Training and educational opportunities
- We provide uniforms, protective equipment and gear
- Receive a paid stipend along with a gym membership

For More Information...

Call: 217-566-3311

Check us out on Facebook at:
**Williamsville Fire Protection
District**



Visit our website at www.wfpdillinois.com
or join us at our fire meetings on
Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

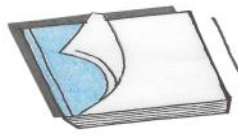
ABOUT THE WILLIAMSVILLE VOL- UNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief: Scott Gaddy

The WVFD is staffed by dedicated men and women of the community who respond 24/7, 365 days a year to fire, medical and other emergencies. Meetings are held every Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m.



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Backyard Basics in March

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day as you get in the mood for spring. Valerie Sagle, owner of Carli Mae Designs, will host a lantern design project on Tuesday, March 17th, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Learn how to make a fabric bow, and add floral elements to turn a lantern into the perfect centerpiece for candles, bouquets, or small plants like succulents. This project is intended for teens or adults. The event is free, but space and supplies will be limited. Register by calling 566-3520 or go to williamsvillelibrary.org, and you will also be entered into the drawing for door prizes.

Rules of the Road

A representative from the Illinois Secretary of State's Office will be at WPLM on Thursday, March 12th, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for a driver's license renewal class. The class is free, and you do not need to register to attend. If you will need to renew your license soon, this session is for you. Feel free to bring a friend!

Pi, Pie, and Puzzles

Saturday, March 14, otherwise known as 3/14, is Pi Day. Stop by WPLM for a free slice of pie, while supplies last, starting at 11:00 a.m. Since circles are celebrated on Pi Day, WPLM will also be hosting a Pi Puzzle Challenge event, featuring circular puzzles, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sign up at www.williamsvillelibrary.org. Each team can have 2 to 4 people. Every team will be able to take their circular puzzle home with them. The first two teams to complete their puzzles will also win a new circular puzzle and more.



Drop in Activities

WPLM changes the game and activity stations each month. There is always something for kids to do, play, or make whenever you have time to stop by WPLM. WPLM is open from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Monday through Thursday and 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

Backyard Basics in April

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of Earth Day with a special Backyard Basics Event on Tuesday, April 21, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Dr. Amy McEuen, a professor in the Environmental Studies Department at the University of Illinois, will host "Saving the Planet, One Backyard at a Time". Learn how simple steps can make a difference by encouraging pollinators like "good bugs" and birds in your own backyard. You will also get a chance to plant seeds to take with you and add a little biodiversity to your neighborhood. The event is free, but space and supplies will be limited. Register by calling 566-3520 or go to williamsvillelibrary.org, and you will also be entered into the drawing for door prizes.

Puzzle Donations Accepted



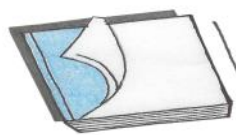
In coordination with the Pi Puzzle Challenge, WPLM will be hosting a puzzle exchange in March. Please only donate puzzles that have all of their pieces. Puzzles for all ages will be accepted, but please have all jigsaw puzzles in their original box. Donations can be dropped off any time between now and Thursday, March 12. Puzzles will be available for anyone to adopt starting on Pi Day, March 14. Any puzzles that remain at WPLM by the end of March will be donated to the Villas and Goodwill.

Book Club

Please join us on Thursday, March 26, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. This book sold more copies in 2019 than any other book. Come and see what made it so popular. On April 30, at 7:00 p.m. we will discuss *The Pecan Man* by Cassie Dandridge Selleck which has been described as a cross between *The Help* and *To Kill a Mockingbird*. New members are always welcome and books are available at WPLM. Just come in and ask for a copy.



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Free Museum Passes

Thanks to partnerships with local museums, WPLM can offer free passes to our patrons. You can see the latest exhibits at Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, Illinois State Museum, and the Kidzeum of Health and Science. The museums are an easy way to entertain out of town guests or kids and grandkids who need a change of scenery. To reserve passes to any of the three museums please call WPLM at 566-3520. Admission is always free to the Illinois State Military Museum.

National Library Week

During National Library Week in April, WPLM would like to honor our volunteers. Although we have been fortunate to have many volunteers over the years and all of our volunteers are special to us, we would like to show our appreciation to four wonderful ladies. Judy Krell and Delores Fowler help us with museum collection. They clean, measure, describe, photograph, preserve and store museum items on a weekly basis. They continue to discover items in the collection, as well as, help put up and take down the museum displays. Kim Knox and Marsha Menzel do everything at WPLM from helping with the museum displays to labeling items for the library collection. Each week they ready new materials to be checked out and help with numerous tasks from spreadsheets to shelving materials.



Karaoke Event



Follow WPLM on Facebook to learn about a karaoke event that will be planned for junior high and high school students later this spring.

SES STEAM Fair

WPLM will once again be attending the Sherman Elementary School STEAM Fair. The second annual event will include a wide variety of organizations with activities based on concepts related to STEAM, which stands for science, technology, engineering, art, and math. Visit WPLM's table at the event to design and race Lego cars. Parents and grandparents are encouraged to bring young students to the event at the Sherman Elementary School's cafeteria and gym on Thursday, March 19th, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.



Lego Showcase

WPLM has been hosting three Lego Junior League teams this year. The third through fifth grade students spent several sessions working on unique building challenges and learning how to use iPads to program a motorized element for their projects. In January, they began designing unique building projects that will be showcased at WPLM on Tuesday, March 24th, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 pm. Parents, friends, families, and educators are invited to come and see the creative problem-solving designs the students have been developing. The teams will then attend a Lego Expo at LLCC with teams from several area schools on Sunday, March 29th.



Library of Things

WPLM has something for everyone. In addition to books, audiobooks, magazines, DVD's, and databases, WPLM now has ukulele kits that WPLM patrons can check out for two weeks. Each kit includes the instrument, tuner, and music for beginners. Students and small business owners are welcome to borrow metal, foldable easels. They are adjustable and easy to transport for special presentations. Book and activity kits for young patrons, STEM kits for older kids, and art kits for teens and adults are still available and great for road trips.

Digital Resources

You can access e-books, audiobooks, and magazines 24/7 by visiting www.williamsvillelibrary.org. Simply click on the "Services" tab and choose "Library on the Go". If spending time with family over the holidays has you wondering where you came from, you can find out with Ancestry.com. You can access the genealogy database for free at WPLM with your own computer or one of the library's three public computers.

Electronics Available to Check Out

You can try before you buy! Hot spots and tablets are available to WPLM patrons. Seniors who are considering buying a tablet can check out a Kindle or iPad to see which they prefer. Lack of internet service is not an obstacle. WPLM patrons can also check out a hot spot, which allows you to access the internet from anywhere! The hot spots are available to any WPLM adult patrons.



WILLIAMSVILLE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION'S ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT



APR 4TH, 2020

**AGES
10 & UNDER**

SAMUEL H. JONES PARK

706 E. Main St.
Williamsville, IL 62693

11:00 A.M.

to

2:00 P.M.

Registration: 11:00 A.M. • Parade: 12:00 P.M. • Hunt: 12:30 P.M.

More information at Williamsville.Illinois.Gov.

MAY 2, 2020

*** THIS EVENT IS SATURDAY ONLY ***

It's time for Williamsville's All Town Garage Sales and Clean Up!

Garage sales - 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Clean up - 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

If you are a Village or Township resident, please contact the Village Hall at 566-3806 by Wednesday, April 29 to get on the garage sales listing and map that will be available at several locations in town. A \$4.00 fee will be collected to help with advertising.

BLH Computers, Inc. will be accepting CRTs and TVs from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Village and Township Garage. Residents will pay \$20 to \$40 for televisions, depending on size and \$20 for CRT monitors.



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Healthy Kids Running Series

Returns to the Williamsville Park this Spring!

The Healthy Kids Running Series is a five week running program in the spring and fall for kids ages 2 to 14. Kids compete in a race with their peers each week of the series. Join us as we encourage kids to adopt a healthy and active lifestyle, help increase their self-esteem, and make new friends! View the series details below!

Series Details

Location: Williamsville Park

Dates: March 29, April 5, April 19, April 26, and May 3

Time: 4:30 PM

Divisions and Distances:

Pre-K (2-3 year olds) - 50 yards
Pre-K (4-5 year olds) - 75 yards
Kindergarten & 1st - 1/4 mile
2nd & 3rd - 1/2 mile
4th & 5th - 1 mile
6th - 8th - 1 mile



Register online: <https://runsignup.com/Race/ILWilliamsville/HealthyKidsRunningSeriesFall2016WilliamsvilleIL>

Registration Cost:

Before March 8th (Early Bird Registration Fee) - \$35
After March 8th - \$40

Series registration includes all five races, one race each week, the HKRS T-Shirt, race bibs, a sponsor race bag, and a medal at the culmination of the five-week program. Top point scorers also receive a trophy. For more information, please contact Tiffany Penley at hkrswilliamsville@gmail.com.

Daylight Saving Time

It's that time of year again! Spring is arriving, which means get ready for more time in the evening to enjoy the sunlight! Don't forget to move those clocks forward Sunday, March 8th at 2:00 A.M.

Williamsville Community Foundation

The Williamsville Community Foundation has great events planned for 2020!

April 4 - Easter Egg Hunt at the Williamsville Park
May 17 - Picnic in the Park
June 28 - Fourth of July Celebration
September 12 and 13 - Fall Festival
October 24 - Boo! on the Boulevard
December 5 - Breakfast with Santa
December 13 - Christmas on the Boulevard

Quarter Auctions

The Williamsville Community Foundation will be hosting two quarter auctions during March and April. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and both auctions begin at 6:30 p.m. March's quarter auction will be held on March 12th and will benefit WHS After Prom. April's quarter auction will be held on April 9th, and will benefit North Sangamon County Teen Court.



Williamsville Spring in the Village Craft and Vendor Event

March 28 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Williamsville Community Center and the Blue Cat Building
Open to the public
30 vendors from various companies will be present!

Williamsville Sewer Rate Increase

The Village of Williamsville's Village Board passed an ordinance at the January 27th board meeting to increase sewer rates in Williamsville. The increase is to help with necessary improvements and infrastructure, and is required to update sewer plant improvements, which should last for 25 years. However, in comparison with our sewer rate increase, our rates are still lower than many surrounding areas, and we will continue to do our best to keep rates as low as possible.



PICNIC IN THE PARK

SUN, MAY 17

WHIFFLEBALL, PICKLEBALL, & THREE-ON-THREE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS

**FREE BBQ
& DRINK**

**SILENT
AUCTION**

**50/50
RAFFLE**

**TOUCH-
A-TRUCK**

HOSTED AND STAFFED BY
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WILLIAMSVILLE
williamsville.illinois.gov/community-foundation.html

- EVENT WILL RAISE FUNDS TO BENEFIT SAMUEL H. JONES PARK IN WILLIAMSVILLE
- TOURNAMENT STARTS IN THE MORNING—LUNCH AT NOON
- RAIN DATE SUNDAY, JUNE 7

To register for tournaments, head to www.williamsville.illinois.gov.

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We sure are hoping the groundhog is correct and spring is coming soon!

We hope everyone is still enjoying the snowflakes in our pots uptown. We will be cleaning them out as soon as the temperature warms up and everything thaws out.

We are excited to partner with the high school Ag program this year with purchasing the flowers to go in our summer pots! Back in December, we met with the ag teacher and she shared her flower catalog with us. She helped us narrow down our choices and combined our order with hers in hopes of saving us some money for our summer pot decor! The color scheme we picked for this summer is red, orange, and yellow.

We are still helping with the Queen of Hearts Drawing at Boondocks in Springfield every Wednesday! It will continue until the Queen of Hearts card is picked. The jackpot is now over \$10,000! The doors open at 5:00 p.m. The drawing is at 7:00 p.m. every Wednesday! There is also a 50/50 drawing every Wednesday! We would love for you to come to the Queen of Hearts drawing to support our efforts in raising money for our club. Kids are welcome to come with their parents. For details on how this event works, please check out the Queen Of Hearts Sherman/Williamsville Facebook page or call Nique for details at 618-315-1099. You can purchase tickets at the Williamsville Village Hall, Williamsville Subway, several places in Sherman, and at Boondocks on Wednesdays from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

If you would like to join the Williamsville Garden Club, please text or call Nique Scarbrough at 618-315-1099. If you would like to make a tax deductible donation to our club, please make the check payable to the Williamsville Garden Club and send to our club president, Nique Scarbrough, P.O. Box 94, Williamsville, IL 62693.



Seeking Your Help!

We are seeking YOUR help! If you have any photos of our community (park, boulevard, lake, etc.) and would like them featured on our website, please send them to us! We'd love to showcase our village with pictures from our very own residents and from those that make our community the great community it is. Your name will be added to the picture to give credit to you for the image provided. Please, submit the picture as a JPEG or PNG file. Also, please only submit photos without anyone in them. The Village of Williamsville reserves the right to refuse any photos deemed to be inappropriate. You may send any photos to wville-water@casscomm.com.



Spring Building Plans



We are approaching spring, which means building season is almost here! If you have any projects to build or remodel, please remember to contact Steve Fawns, Building and Zoning Director, at 217-341-7395. It is imperative for you to have a building permit **before** you begin your project! Fees can double if you begin your project without a permit. You can also visit our website for more information to help you plan. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!



**Williamsville
United
Methodist Church**
128 E. Jones St.
217.566.3614



Dates:
March 6
March 20
April 3

Dinner Includes
Walleye
Baked Potato or Potato Salad
Cole Slaw
Applesauce
Dessert
Drink

Time: 4:30—7:00 pm

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Message from the Mayor:

The Village of Williamsville would like to give you an update on all that is happening in our community.

Trail: We are moving forward in conjunction with the Village of Sherman to get the trail out for bid in early spring or no later than June, depending on IDOT.

Overpass: The recent overpass project has been halted due to weather, but we are looking forward to continuing back up soon. We hope to complete the project by the end of the year.

Census: The upcoming census is very important to everyone. Both federal and state funds are awarded on a per capita bases in most areas. Please, fill out your

census forms when received. If assistance is needed, do not hesitate to contact the Williamsville Public Library, as they are gearing up to help others file electronically.

Williamsville Schools' Referendum: The referendum for the Williamsville Public School District will be on the ballot for the March 17th election. The Village Board and myself encourage you to support this referendum, as the school is one of our biggest assets. We have had a great school district for many years, and hope to see continued support to towards it.

Leaf and Branch Pick Up: Branch pick up will continue on a restricted schedule, until late Spring, as summer help becomes available. If a special pick up is necessary, please contact the Village Hall.

Picnic in the Park: The Village of Williamsville is raising funds for our match portion of the grant we received for the park at Picnic in the Park on May 17th. You can view more details about this event by checking out the flyer also found in this newsletter or by heading to our website. The Village of Williamsville is working to make our park more handicap accessible, including installing new sidewalks, and our hope is the new playground equipment for children will be installed either in the summer or early fall. All donations will be accepted, and we will keep you informed of our goal and how closed we are to reaching it, through signage and our website. We hope you are able to attend this event for our community and park!

Respond your way to the 2020 Census.

By April 1, 2020, every home will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. You will have three options for responding. All of them are easy!



Online



By Phone



By Mail

The 2020 Census marks the first time you will be invited to respond online—even on your mobile device. The online form is available in many different languages. Visit 2020CENSUS.GOV for more information about responding online.

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2020 Census

"One of the most important current federal issues will be the constitutionally – mandated federal decennial Census. The Census is not only important in determining legislative redistricting, but is critical to the everyday governance of our communities, including state and federal funding and home rule status in Illinois. IML supports outreach efforts and the work of the Census Bureau to ensure a complete and accurate count of Illinois is taken."

~ Information proved by Illinois Municipal League ~

**Lawn bags are now available at the Village Hall.
You may get two bundles per household per year.
You will need to sign for them.**

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